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Hon. James H. Welsh, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275 - Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Dear Sir:

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. requests the calling of a public hearing, after due legal notice, to consider the following matters pertaining to the X-5A Sand, Reservoir AFAHAU, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the above sand.
2. To establish a single drilling and production unit for the above sand.
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts and mineral leases and other mineral interests within the unit.
4. To designate Chevron U.S.A. Inc. as operator of the X-5A RAFAHAU SUA.
5. To designate Chevron's Buras Levee District E Well No. 149-D as the unit well for the X-5A RAFAHAU SUA.
6. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate wells for said unit shall be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
7. To provide for future reclassification of the reservoir without the necessity of a public hearing if such reclassification becomes necessary due to a change in production characteristics.
8. To consider such other matters as the Commissioner may deem pertinent.

The X-5A Sand, Reservoir AFAHAU, in the West Bay Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the electric log depths of 7,398 (-7,376 SS) feet and 7,412 (-7,390 SS) feet in the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. - Buras Levee District E Well No. 149-D, located in Section 35, Township 22 South, Range 30 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Chevron will provide for the advertisement of the legal notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of the West Bay Field, and also will post the legal notice and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of the field. Chevron will also mail a copy of said legal notice and unit plat to Interested Owners, Represented Parties and to Interested Parties.

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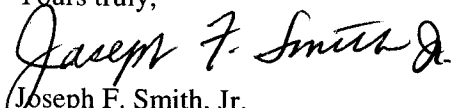
Attached are (1) a copy of the unit plat, (2) a list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties, and (3) our check in the amount of \$755.00 to cover the application fee.

A copy of this application, plat and list attached, is being sent to Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager, Lafayette, Louisiana. A copy of this application and plat are also being sent to each Interested Owner, Represented Party, and Interested Party after a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

The pre-application conference was not held since Chevron did not receive a request to confer.

All pertinent data relating to this notice can be obtained, at the cost of the requesting party, by contacting the undersigned at Chevron U.S.A. Inc., 935 Gravier St., Room 1944, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112, telephone number (504) 592-6710.

Yours truly,


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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager
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Office of Conservation
Lafayette, Louisiana

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

